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GAYSPEAK

NEWSLETTER OF THE PIKES PEAK GAY COMMUNITY CENTER

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From the President's Desk

In the past few months the Board has received several suggestions and requests from members and advertisers. In an effort to best serve those who have been helpful enough to let their feelings and thoughts be known we are instituting some changes tht give Gayspeak a somewhat new and broader focus. We sincerely hope the changes help to fill the needs of our readership. If you have any questions or suggestions please feel free to talk with any board member or contact the Helpline at 471-4GAY.

Thank you,
Ed Sells
President
P.P.G.C.C.

A worker of Martin Luther Homes of Loveland has charged his employers have discriminated against him. The worker tested positive for HIV and informed his supervisor of his condition. He was then dmoted to a part-time custodian. Martin Luther Homes contends that the worker endangers the disabled clients of the home. The department of Health and Human Services, office of Civil Rights is handling the case. They have demanded the worker be given his old position back or face legal action. More reporting of this story will be done as information becomes available.
(Turnaround 11-89)

FUNDAMENTALISTS "FORBID" GAY GAMES III FROM HAPPENING

Unnamed "Christian leaders who live in Greater Vancouver" shocked organizers of Celebration '90: Gay Games III and Cultural Festival last month with full-page ads in the city's two major daily newspapers calling for the Games not to take place.

"WE THEREFORE WITH ALL REVERENCE AND SERIOUS INTENTION, IN CHRIST'S NAME, MAKE A PUBLIC STATEMENT: THAT BECAUSE THESE GAMES WILL BRING GOD'S JUDGEMENT UPON US ALL IN THIS CITY, WE THEREFORE FORBID THEM IN THE NAME AND AUTHORITY OF JESUS CHRIST. WE BELIEVE THAT THEY SHALL NOT TAKE PLACE," one section of the ads stated.

The ads also called for "Spiritual Warfare."

Running under the banner headline'TIME IS RUNNING OUT', the advertisements immediately provoked a storm of controversy in Vancouver. Sponsors of the two ads, which were reported to have cost $15,000, refused to identify themselves or to speak to the press.

Celebration '90 organizers were quick to respond to a barrage of media attention. "We are disappointed that a group of people would be willing to spend this amount of money attempting to control the legal activities of another group of Canadians," Barry McDell, a director of the Celebration '90 Board, told **THE VANCOUVER SUN**, one of the two papers to run the ads. "This kind of action, while directed at the gay and lesbian community this time, can be directed at any group of people," McDell added.

"To a large extent these particular ads back-fired," said Shawn p. Kelly, Consulting Executive Director. "We've had a tremendous outpouring of offers of volunteer and financial support because of them."

"But we are concerned about the ability of groups such as this to raise large amounts of money to try to stop us. Given the recent setbacks to lesbian/gay rights in Tacoma, Concord, and San Francisco, we take any such threats from the fundamentalist right-wing very seriously, and we appeal to the international lesbian/gay community to support us now," Kelly added.

Celebration '90 will have a budget of nearly $1,000,000 over the next nine months. While athlete entry fees and ticket sales to the Opening and Closing Ceremonies will account for the bulk of the revenue, organizers also depend on private donations. "We know that these right-wing fundamentalists have a long-range goal of trying to stop the Games and that they are well-funded," said McDell. "Now is the time for the international lesbian/gay community to support the largest sports and cultural festival it has ever attempted to produce," he added.

Gay Games III and Cultural Festival will take place August 4-11, 1990 in the Greater Vancouver area. Inquiries for participants, spectators, or donors should be addressed to: Celebration '90 1170 Bute Street, Vancouver, B.C. V6E1Z6. Phone: (604) 684-3303 or 684-0444.

DISNEYLAND GIVES IN

After nearly ten years of litigation Gay and Lesbian couples now have the right to dance together at Disneyland. The new policy "reaffirms that it's written policy prohibits discrimination based upon sexual orientation."

The original dance policy of Disneyland, adopted in 1957, prohibited same sex couples from enjoying the same rights as those of the heterosexuals.

So, next time you go to Disneyland enjoy your privilege and thank several gay men for standing up for all of us.
(GCN NOV)

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The Vice President Speaks

An update on the contest for new memberships. Pikes Peak MCC is STILL winning!! Your group could win the $100.00 prize. If you need more information on this contest, please let me known.

The Board of Pikes Peak Gay Community Center, would like to invite you to 'Romantique' an evening of dancing and entertainment on the Love Boat, on February 10th, 1990. A Valentines Celebration. Cocktails at 6PM, dancing and entertainment at 7PM, at The Springs Motor Inn, on Circle Drive. Door - $5.00 non-members, $4.00 current members. Cash bar, raffle, DOOR PRIZES. We have a lot of surprises and fun, come and show your support and have fun with 'family'.

David Eidson
Vice-President
P.P.G.C.C.

HELPLINE

The Helpline still needs volunteers to give about 6-8 hours of their time each month. This service is set up with a phone forwarding system so volunteers don't even have to leave their home.
Curret Helpline hours are 6-9 PM Mondays through Friday and 3-5 PM on Saturdays.
The Helpline is a great way to help out your community and at the same time make some new friends. If interested in volunteering, call the Helpline for more details, 471-4429 (471-4GAY)

The United Court of the Rising Sun Empire

The United Court of the Rising Sun Empire is staying very busy. Emperor 14 David Eidson, and Empress 14 Lyda Rose, would like to thank everyones help with the 'Toys for Children', we help out over 100 children with toys and filled over 20 baskets of food for needy families. The Court co-sponsored a free Christmas Dinner at The Hide and Seek. Thanks Joe and Tom for your hard work. And everyone who ate that day just loved Lyda's cooking.

The Court has a active schedule for the month of January. On the 13th at the Exit, we will be saying good bye to Krystyn Phillips. And crowning our new Princess Royal. On the 19th at 11PM at the Hour Glass, we will be featuring some of our finer female talents. January 20th Exit 8PM and The Hide and Seek at 10:30PM, 'A Night to Remember' sponsored by Denver Court talents. On the 27th of January we will be sponsoring our annual **MR. RIGHT CONTEST.** This is one of the Courts most popular contests. There will be lots of cash prizes, bar tabs from local and Denver bars.If you've got the body, come out to The Hide and Seek, and try for **MR. RIGHT '1990'.**

DIGNITY

'Dignity with Friends' would like to invite you to attend mass with us on January 13th and the 27th at Divine Redeemer, at 5PM.

Call us for more information, Barb and Cher 593-9606.

Yvonne 473-1096

Village Hair Studio

2812 W. Colorado Ave, Suite 201

PIKES PEAK GAY COMMUNITY CENTER
TREASURERS REPORT
NOV 12 to DEC 15
1989
Respectfully Summitted By:
Cher Pennington, Treasurer

AMERICAN FEDERAL SAVINGS	
Ending Balance	$ 1.13
WESTERN NATIONAL BANK	
Begining Balance	$1302.76
Total	$1303.89
Deposits	
11-22 Gayspeak advertising	95.00
11-22 'Family'sticker sales	3.00
Total	$ 98.00
11-14 Sacred Heart (rent)	100.00
11-14 David Eidson (Gayspeak)	57.23
Total Paid Out	$ 157.23
ENDING BALANCE	$1244.66

LAURA B. ALTSCHUL
NAMED CO-CHAIR BY HUMAN
RIGHTS CAMPAIGN FUND BOARD

Washington, D.C. (December, 1989) Laura Altschul, a longtime activists and consultant in the northwest, was named co-chair of the Human Rights Campaign Fund Board of Directors at the board's November meeting in Chicago, Illionis.

"Laura's many years of experience as a political organizer and advisor will clearly strengthen HRCF's efforts to advance the cause of lesbian and gay civil rights and secure adequate funding for the AIDS epidemic," said Tim McFeeley, executive director of HRCF. "We are looking forward to her active involvement as co-chair and the expertise she can share with us," he said.

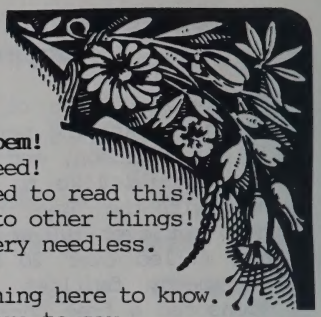
Altschul, who has lived in Seattle since 1985, is Director of Marketing and Strategic Services at Northwest Strategies, a public relations and goverment affairs firm. Earlier last year, she was selected by the Seattle Weekly as one of the 100 leading men and women under the age of 40 in the city.

A 1975 graduate of Michigan State University, Altschul holds a masters degree in organization Development from the school of Business and Management at Pepperdine University. She has 14 years of experience in organization development and strategic planning, with clients ranging from timber industry

companies to AIDS education providers.

Laura's clients have included The Children's Initiative, diverse companies and numerous Republican and Democratic political campaigns. She served as an Advocate in the Multnomah County District Attorney's Office and as a member of the faculty of Northeastern Illinois University.

"I am looking forward to participating in all of HRCF's efforts on behalf of the lesbian and gay community. The organization is making enormous strides as the political voice of the lesbian and gay community," Altschul stated. "We have our work cut out for us, but nothing is as American as standing side-by-side with our families and children to accomplish our goal: liberty and justice for all," she said.



Don't Read This Poem!
Wait! Do not proceed!
You're not supposed to read this!
Move on! Advance to other things!
These words are very needless.

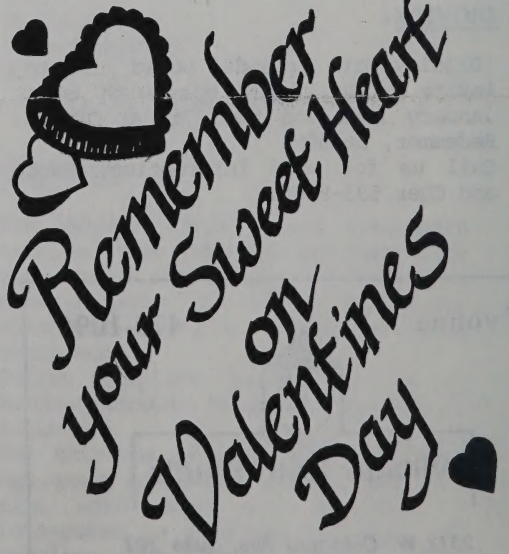
Away! There's nothing here to know.
There's nothing here to say.
You've no business reading this.
Go! Be on your way!

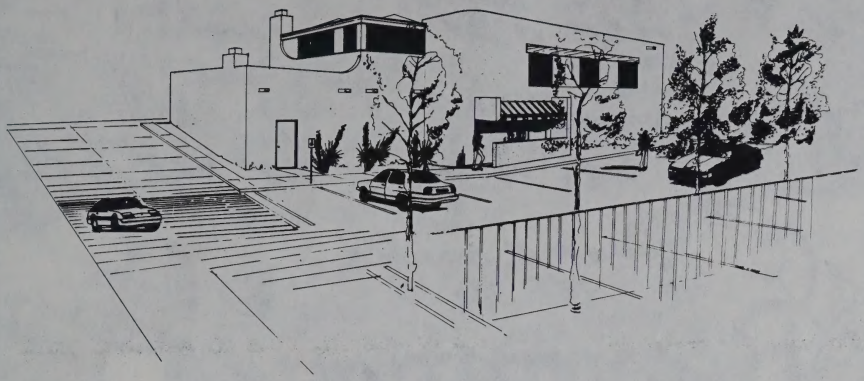
Three stanzas now, and you persist.
Oh, why won't you take heed?
You're wasting time on precious words
You're not supposed to read.

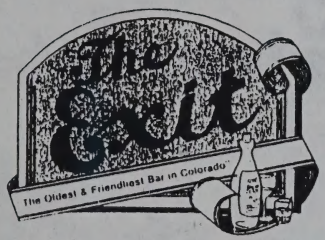
You've done it now, trespassing friend;
You're finally to the fruitless end.
It's funny how we take delight
In doing what we're told's not right!

-J.H. Johnson

UNITE a social/support group for men and women of all ages. Focusing our attention on varies Gay/Lesbian topics for discussion. Planning social events and outings. For more information on the group Unite, call the Helpline at 471-4429.







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Business Card	$10.00
1/8 Page	$17.50
1/4 Page	$25.00
1/2 Page	$35.00
Full Page	$45.00

These rates are for camera ready copy.

Classified ads are free for the first 15 words, and 10 cents for each additional word.

All advertising must be pre-paid before publication.

Pikes Peak Gay Community Center
Membership Application

All membership information is kept strictly confidential.
Individual Dues Are $6.00 Annually

I would like to make a one time donation of $_____

Name_____

Address_____

City/State/Zip_____

Phone (Optional)_____

_____ Yes, please deliver GaySpeak to the address above.

Signature _____

Please Mail to: P.O. Box 574 • Colorado Springs, CO 80901

The Pikes Peak Gay Community Center

Presents

Romantique

an evening of Dancing and Entertainment on the

Love Boat

Feb. 10

Springs Motor Inn

Cocktails 6p.m.~Dancing 7p.m.

Tickets: $5.00 non members
$4.00 members